

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/668,264

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to AF Amendment filed 30 August 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2,3,5,6,8,11,12,14,15,17 and 18.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see Remarks pages 1-7, filed 30 August 2005, with respect to the rejections have been fully considered and are persuasive.

The rejections of claims 2-3 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, have been withdrawn since applicant amended the claims to include the required essential element.

The rejections of claims 2-3, 8, and 14-15 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) stand withdrawn in view of applicant's amendments to include the additional limitation of what constitutes a feature parameter.

Therefore, all requirements and rejections have been traversed and/or withdrawn.

Applicant's arguments with regards to the Finality of the previous Office Action are moot since the case has been passed to issue.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-3, 5-6, 8-9, 11-12, 14-15, and 17-18 are allowed.

Claims 6, 11-12, and 17-18 were allowed in a previous Office Action. Reasons for allowance of those claims are stated therein.

Claim 5 is allowed for the reasons stated previously, since the deficiencies of the claim under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, have been corrected.

Claims 2, 8, and 14 are an apparatus, method, and computer program for performing the same tasks. They are allowed because the prior art does not teach that

the feature parameter includes at least a feature of a radical based on the character's stroke, where such features are those such as are listed in the bottom of claim 5 for example, which apply to CJK characters. The genetic algorithm processing section to create new font characters based on the user's input character to generate a new font from a previously existing one as applied herein is non-obvious. When taken in combination with the above feature, it is therefore novel and non-obvious.

Claim 3, 9, and 15 respectively are allowed because they are dependent upon allowed claims 2, 8, and 14 respectively.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Eric V. Woods whose telephone number is 571-272-7775. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:30-4:30 alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Razavi can be reached on 571-272-7664. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.


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